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In re Patent Application of: ) Group Art Unit: 2826  
Kaoru Koike, et al. )  
Application No. 10/080,104 ) Examiner: Erdem, Fazli  
Filed: February 21, 2002 )  
For: MASK-MAKING MEMBER AND ITS )  
PRODUCTION METHOD, MASK AND ITS )  
MAKING METHOD, EXPOSURE PROCESS, )  
AND FABRICATION METHOD OF )  
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**RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 20, 2004 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2004. In view of the amendments and remarks made herein, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.



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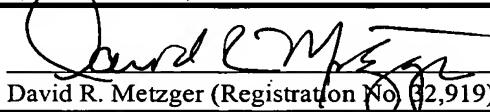
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